

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. *Status of the claims*

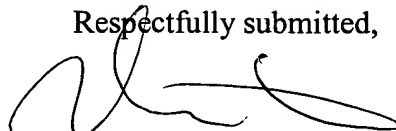
Claims 7-14 are canceled and claim 31 is amended to correct a misspelled word. Claims 15-17, 23-26 and 31-39 are currently pending with entry of the Amendment.

2. *Allowable subject matter*

The Examiner stated on page 7 of the Office Action that claims 15-17, 23-26 and 31-39 are allowable. Accordingly, with cancellation of claims 7-14, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,



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